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Export Certification  
Manual

# Introduction

## *Training*

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### Authorized Certification Officials (ACO's)

PPQ officers, State cooperators, and county cooperators must successfully complete Export Certification Training to become an Authorized Certification Official (ACO) for issuing FPC's.

The selection of persons to be trained is a joint decision among PPQ managers, CPO's, and export certification instructors. They determine the schedule for initial or refresher training for PPQ and State personnel and arrange for the export certification workshops with designated trainers.

At a minimum, refresher training for every ACO should be conducted at 3-year intervals.

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### CPO's

CPO's must participate in periodic export certification workshops when conducted by the Export Services (ES). CPO's will develop and present refresher training to maintain credibility of the program and to avoid recurrent errors in phytosanitary certificates. In 2002, the PDC will provide a standard refresher training course for use by designated trainers in the field.

